

the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### REPORT DETAILING THE PROGRESS OF SPENDING BY THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH DURING THE FIRST TWO QUARTERS OF FISCAL YEAR 2003 IN SUPPORT OF PLAN COLOMBIA—PM 46

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

To The Congress of The United States: Consistent with section 3204(e), Public Law 106-246, I am providing a report prepared by my Administration detailing the progress of spending by the executive branch during the first two quarters of Fiscal Year 2003 in support of Plan Colombia.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, July 22, 2003.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 5:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 1280. An act to amend the PROTECT Act to clarify certain volunteer liability.

S. 1399. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South Vine Street in Glenwood, Iowa, as the "William J. Scherle Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

H.R. 23. An act to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to authorize communities to use community development block grant funds for construction of tornado-safe shelters in manufactured home parks.

H.R. 1437. An act to improve the United States Code.

H.R. 1516. An act to provide for the establishment by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of five additional cemeteries in the National Cemetery system.

H.R. 2249. An act to amend chapter 10 of title 39, United States Code, to include postmasters and postmasters' organizations in the process for the development and planning of certain personnel policies, schedules, and programs of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2328. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2001 East Willard Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Robert A. Borski Post Office Building".

H.R. 2357. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of chiropractors in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs and to provide eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs health care for certain Filipino World War II veterans residing in the United States.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 212. Concurrent resolution recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the Korean War Veteran, and for other purposes.

H. Con. Res. 230. Concurrent resolution honoring the 10 communities selected to receive the 2003 All-America City Award.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The following enrolled bills, previously signed by the Speaker of the House, were signed on today, July 22, 2003, by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS):

S. 246. An act to provide that certain Bureau of Land Management land shall be held in trust for the Pueblo of Santa Clara and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso in the State of New Mexico.

H.R. 733. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House in Oregon City, Oregon, for inclusion in Fort Vancouver Historic Site, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2330. An act to sanction the ruling Burmese military junta, to strengthen Burma's democratic forces and support and recognize the National League of Democracy as the legitimate representative of the Burmese people, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 23. An act to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to authorize communities to use community development block grant funds for construction of tornado-safe shelters in manufactured home parks; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 1437. An act to improve the United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1516. An act to provide for the establishment by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of five additional cemeteries in the National Cemetery system; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 2249. An act to amend chapter 10 of title 39, United States Code, to include postmasters and postmasters' organizations in the process for the development and planning of certain personnel policies, schedules, and programs of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2328. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2001 East Willard Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Robert A. Borski Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2357. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of chiropractors in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs and to provide eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs health care for cer-

tain Filipino World War II veterans residing in the United States; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 212. Concurrent resolution recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the Korean War Veteran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H. Con. Res. 230. Concurrent resolution honoring the 10 communities selected to receive the 2003 All-America City Award; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported than on today, July 22, 2003, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 246. An act to provide that certain Bureau of Land Management land shall be held in trust for the Pueblo of Santa Clara and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso in the State of New Mexico.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-234. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Michigan relative to tax issues related to the phase out of the Oldsmobile; to the Committee on Finance.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 192

Whereas, The phase out of the Oldsmobile line of General Motors is bringing to a close an historic chapter in American automotive history. The end of this component of one of the world's largest corporations also has significant administrative and tax considerations that need to be addressed quickly to provide for a fair and smooth transition for those whose livelihoods are jeopardized; and

Whereas, As compensation for the loss of years of goodwill and the erosion of the value of large financial investments, Oldsmobile dealerships will be paid a one-time settlement. As federal tax laws now stand, this payment would be subject to personal and business federal taxes as income. In reality, however, the settlement money clearly should be categorized as involuntary converted property. Under this determination, the manufacturer's settlement would be treated like other property that can be converted to similar purposes over a specific period of time; and

Whereas, Every effort should be made to encourage the reinvestment of settlement resources to mitigate job loss, lessen the economic stress to local communities, and protect families from more serious financial difficulties. In addition, it would be poor public policy for the federal government to reap a tax revenue windfall as a result of this rare and unique situation; and

Whereas, As the home of the Olds automotive legacy and 20 of the top 50 Oldsmobile dealerships, Michigan has a major stake in the fair treatment of these businesses and individuals. It would be wrong for the tax code to act as a disincentive to the reinvestment of the settlement dollars in job-creating enterprises; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact H.R. 2374 to amend the Internal Revenue Code to consider certain transitional dealer assistance related to